Stark County Social Service Board

April 21st, 2014

This meeting of Stark County Social Service board was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman, Russ Hoff.

Present: Diane Mortenson, Russ Hoff, Duane Wolf, Sherry Adams, Pete Kuntz, Jay Elkin and Ken Zander

Absent: Jim Hope

Motion made by Duane Wolf and seconded by Sherry Adams to approve the minutes of the previous meetings as recorded. Motion carried by unanimous ballet.

Financial Statements: Discussion held. Motion made by Ken Zander and seconded by Pete Kuntz to approve the Schedules and Financial Statements. Motion carried by unanimous ballet.

End of Month Statistics: Areas were highlighted for program numbers.

Agenda:

- 1.) Oil Impact: 51 new clients for the month of March. Total of 193 for the calendar year of 2014.
- 2.) **Foster Home Update:** We continue to see a need and growth in the area of intended wishing to become likely foster parents. The agreement with Lisa Giese has worked well and we will continue to utilize her services at this time.
- 3.) **Personnel Update:** Hired Jon Walker as the new Lead worker for the Eligibility Unit effective May 1st, 2014. He will take Deni Lorenz's place when she retires at the end of May. The CPS social worker position was posted with one applicant not found eligible. Further advertising will follow.
- 4.) Living Costs for new staff: At this time there are no housing option subsidies available for new county social service staff. Discussion held.
- 5.) Legislative update: An email was sent to the local legislative representatives to meet with Stark County Social Services director and supervisors to cover some concerns. Senator Rich Wardner and Representative Alan Fehr came to the meeting held on 4-14-2014. The topics of staff safety, mental health services, addiction services, early interventions, adequate intervention and outcomes were agreed upon as areas of concern in Stark County.

Other Business: None

With no further business to come before the Board, Ken Zander motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Duane Wolf. Chairman Russ Hoff declared the meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Chairman Russ Hoff

Agency Director, Diane Mortenson